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PRESIDENT HEINEMAN PRESIDING

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the first day of the Ninety-Seventh Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for today is Pastor Gary Fugman, First Presbyterian Church, Lyons, Nebraska, from Senator Matt Connealy's district. Please rise.

PASTOR FUGMAN: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Chaplain. We will now have the Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska Army and Air National Guard.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, the Ninety-Seventh Legislature, Second Session of the Legislature of Nebraska, assembled in the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber of the State Capitol at the hour of 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, January 9, 2002, is called to order. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a quorum present.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Hudkins for a motion.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I move that the rules, as now in our possession, be adopted for today only, Wednesday, January 9, 2002.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Is there any discussion on the motion? The question is the adoption of the motion to adopt temporary rules. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. The motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk, resignation and appointment letters.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have received a resignation letter from Senator John Hilgert effective November 27, 2001. Pursuant to